

REMARKS

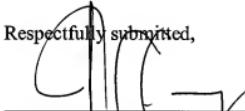
Claims 1-20 are pending in the application and are subject to a restriction and/or election requirement. The claims have been restricted under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

- I. Claims 1-2 are drawn to a method for testing and reinserting a packet, classified in class 714, subclass 712.
- II. Claims 3-20 are drawn to a method, apparatus, computer-readable medium and system that buffers and forwards packets according to a connection table, classified in class 370, subclass 412.

Applicants provisionally elect Group II, without traverse. Therefore, Applicants respectfully requests withdrawal of claims 1-2, without prejudice, and prosecution of claims 3-20.

If the Examiner has any questions, please contact the Applicants' undersigned representative at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,


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